DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID DoD-2021-OS-0113]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: The Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness,

Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Information collection notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by [INSERT 60 DAYS FROM PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Mail: DoD cannot receive written comments at this time due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Comments should be sent electronically to the docket listed above.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title

for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions

from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the

Internet at http://www.regulations.gov as they are received without change, including any

personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this

proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection

instruments, please write to Defense Human Resources Activity, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite

08F05 Alexandria, VA 22350, LaTarsha Yeargins, 571-372-2089.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

TITLE; ASSOCIATED FORM; AND OMB NUMBER: Status of Forces Survey of Reserve

Component Members; OMB Control Number 0704-0616.

NEEDS AND USES: The purpose of the Status of the Forces Survey of Reserve Component

Members (SOFS-R) is to assess the attitudes and opinions of Reserve component members and

to provide key metrics to the OUSD(P&R). Results of this survey are used to provide direct

feedback on key strategic indicators such as satisfaction and retention. These indicators provide

primary data on personnel career plans, retention decisions, morale, commitment, and quality of

life and historically provide the ability to evaluate the impact of policies and programs with

regard to readiness and retention.

AFFECTED PUBLIC: Individuals or households

ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS: 5,505 hours

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 16,515

RESPONSES PER RESPONDENT: 1

ANNUAL RESPONSES: 16,515

AVERAGE BURDEN PER RESPONSE: 20 minutes

FREQUENCY: Annually

Dated: October 29, 2021.

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